At a Grand Committee, or Court of Aſſiſtants of the King and Queen's Corporation for the Linen Manufacture in England, held the ninth day of July, 1691. at Salisbury Exchange in the Strand.

THis Committee taking into ſerious Conſideration the great Advantage that will attend Their Majeſties Dominions, by an effectual carrying on of the ſaid Linnen Manufacture, have not only uſed their beſt Endeavours to manage the ſame in this Kingdom, but have already promoted the Settlement of the ſame in the Kingdom of *Ireland*; and (amongſt many other Agreements with divers Noble Lords, as well Spiritual as Temporal (and other worthy Perſons) of that Kingdom) have Agreed and Ordered a Subſcription there for Four hundred and Seventy five Shares for the ſole uſe and benefit of the whole Engliſh Corporation. *And*, for the better carrying on of the ſaid Manufacture there, this Committee have obliged themſelves to ſend over to the Iriſh Corporation the Sum of Fifteen Thouſand, Seven Hundred and Fifty Pounds; (that is to ſay) Five Pounds *per* Share; for One Hundred and Fifty of the ſaid Shares being the intended firſt Subſcription, and Fifty Pounds *per* Share for Three Hundred more of the ſaid Shares, the remaining Twenty Five Shares being to be ſubſcribed for the uſe of this Corporation, *Gratis*. And this Committee hath alſo agreed with Mr. *John Lovet* (the Manager of the Linen Manufacture in that Kingdom) for all his Lands, Bleaching Grounds, Ware-Houſes, Work-houſes, and Utenſils whatſoever, belonging to the ſaid Linen Manufacture there, to be immediately employed for the uſe of the Joint Stock.

And this Committee (finding that their preſent Stock will be too little to carry on ſo great and uſeful a Trade in the ſaid Two Kingdoms, have unanimouſly reſolved and agreed to double their Stock. And for the Encouragement of all the Proprietors, (that either are, or may be concerned,) this Committee have likewiſe unanimouſly agreed, that each Proprietor now poſſeſſed (or to be poſſeſſed as aforeſaid) of one Original Share in the Books of the Engliſh Corporation, ſhall have Credit there for Three Shares; and ſo proportionably for a greater or leſſer part, each

each Proprietor paying unto the Treaſurer of the Engliſh Corporation, for every Original Share, the Sum of Ten Pounds at or upon St. *Thomas*-day next, Twenty Pounds at or upon *Midſummer*-day next, and Twenty Pounds at or upon St. *Thomas*-day, which ſhall be in the Year, 1692. and ſo proportionable for each Proprietor's Intereſt. And this Committee have further unanimouſly agreed, that each Proprietor poſſeſſed of Two Original Shares in the Engliſh Books, as aforeſaid, ſhall be entituled to One Share of the ſaid Iriſh Stock, *Gratis*; and ſo proportionably for a greater or leſſer part; and that every Perſon that ſhall transferr any Share or Shares in the Engliſh Corporation, ſhall by the ſame Inſtrument transferr his proportionably Intereſt in the Iriſh Corporation; but that all the Engliſh Votes ſhall be given by the Agent of this Company in one entire Vote, as he ſhall from time to time be directed by the Grand Committee of this Corporation, for the Time being, under their Common Seal. And that all Perſons that have Shares on refuſal, or in any other Perſon's Name, or are to have any Shares put on them, ſhall not be prejudiced by this Order; but that each Perſon who before the trebling of the Shares, as aforeſaid, hath ſold and agreed to deliver his ſaid Shares on time, or on refuſal, or to except any of the ſaid Shares to be put upon him, which are not yet transferred in this Company's Books, that then every ſuch Perſons ſhall transferr, and have transferred to him Three of the Shares, ſo trebled or divided for each Original Share he hath ſo ſold, or contracted for, or is to accept, as aforeſaid; together with the proportionable Intereſt in the Iriſh Corporation. And this Committee doth farther declare, that a Sale of Goods ſhall be made as ſoon as conveniently may be: And that as ſoon as the Manufacture now ſettled and ſettling, ſhall be fully compleated in theſe Two Kingdoms, whereby the Charges will be encreaſed; that then for the Encouragement of all ſuch Perſons as are, or ſhall be willing to aſſiſt in ſo charitable and beneficial a Work, there ſhall be made (on juſt Occaſion) a farther Addition or Increaſe of ſuch number of Shares, as ſhall conſiſt with the Intereſt of the Proprietors, and Advantage of the ſaid Manufacture.

At a General Court of the ſaid King and Queen's Corporation for the Linen Manufacture in England, *held at* Salisbury-*Exchange aforeſaid*, Die Jovis 23°. Julii, 1691. *the aforementioned Declaration was read and confirmed*, Nemine contradicente.

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